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4th of March.

These are poor days for an oyster to be out without his overcont on.

Go and smoke a pipe of peace with your enemy. Take Havanas with you. SENATOR WALLACE wants" an immediate return to the intelligent rule of the masses." It cannot be done until the

THE New York Son advocates the election of Mr. Childs, proprietor of the Phildelphia Ledger, for the Senatorial seat soon to be vacated in Pennsylvania.

A GENTLEMAN in New York has invented a bonnet intended to cover the bead and be comfortable. Poor man! He is now safe in a lunatic asylum.

A serect aron has shipped an immense fe ale whale to Chicago. It was a shecargo. It will come back to us in the way of canned corned beef and corsets.

SENATOR JOHNSTON'S inquiry as to why the Agricultural Reports are not printed is answered by the Report of the Public Printer, who says it is for want of storage room in the Government Printing Office.

Tur Post may come into the Republican camp, if it will. Christmas has made us feel charitable, and removed all feelings of irritation we had against the perverse, bigoted, hide-bound, brazen Democratic

A MAN of family struggling with an armful of toys and grasping wildly at vacancy while the toys go up and he goes down is a sight that may make bachelors laugh until they try it themselves. After that they will weep. This is written by a mad man who has tried it.

OUR NEIGHBOR, the Post, has been studying the Constitution, and has learned that in certain important matters the Senate is a part of the Executive Department. If it will continue drawing information from the same source it will find that in all legislation the President is a part of the Legislative Department, Then, when another Presidential veto strikes the Democracy the Post will not be making a Judy of itself.

Ir does not follow that the Congressional Library must be located on Capitol Hill if Judiciary Square is not confiscated for the purpose. Let the Government get a site wherever it may be deemed most eligible, and pay for it. If any extortion is attempted by the owner of the property required, let it be condemned by law for public use upon just compensation being ascertained and made.

THE best position on the tarriff question Wallace to openly declare for a just read. call that hand.

THE Washington Post does not advocate abolition of the tariff," so it says. It simply characterizes "the present tariff as in many respects a most cruel, oppressive system of outrage," "Laboris plundered," and all "to fatten monopolists." "Greed," "iniquitous imposts," "avarice," "ignorance"-these are the gentlest words in our excited contemporary's vocabulary when he gets himself thoroughly worked up on this stock theme of his paper, "The cruel clutch" of the defendant must be "torn from the throat" of the plaintiff. Wonderifthe Post is as mad as these words indicate? Still be is against abolishing the tariff. The present tariff is his aversion. He will, perhaps, be favorable to the future tariff, but he cannot talk tamely of the tariff which did so much to defeat

The Good Old Times.

Amid the general good spirits of our people there is to be found here and there a creaker given to repining for the good old times. This is an outward manifestation of an element in human nature known best by those who have passed the middle age of life. The idea will obtain among such people that not themselves but the things around them have

The young know no such bad dreams. The present is full of passion and action, and to them there were never better times. When twenty-five years shall have been added to their lives, and they shall endeavor to see the same scenes at now, and hear the same voices in the air. they will catch in greater or less degree the mood of those who sigh for the good old times. The present is the good old

Joy to the World.

So sings Christendom to-day, Every of a depressing character,

day; let wisdom call to-morrow.

heary, and goes back to the Golden Age, South as in the North. which, after all, is the youth of the heart. It would be hard to give up one day out of all the three hundred and sixty-five that link the years together, but if it were out to the ballot we could spare all others better than this. On this day at least we recover the sweet old fashion of believing, No matter how hard the crust of skepticism had grown yesterdây, to-day our belief is quick and glowing and vigorous In the kindly influences of the childish trust that blooms in joy and hope and faith around us this morning, men's hearts grow tender and receptive and strangely meek. May Santa Claus live with all

children forever! And in the worship of the kindly Saint of Christmas, whom all men may adore with a sinless reverence, we see the tender, hallowing, blissful influences of the day. Time was when a chimney corner was the altar and a stocking-leg the votive offering by which the pure young heart of childhood went up to God in that beautiful, tender, touching trust which Christ likens to Heaven itself. Those were the days when the Scraphsruled-the angels who are closest around the Great White Throne, and who love the most, The Cherubs reign now, who know the most, and the genii of knowledge have walled up the fire-place, and with steam coil and hot-air register made the old homely lore, learned from the crackling fire on the hearth, a forgotten science.

But there is as much love now as ever, if more ceremony. Increased knowledge begets accessions to love. And who says that the age of sentiment has passed away? There are doubtless men who are ashamed to confess that they ever hear the beating of their hearts, but today they would feel ashamed to deny it. The world is growing older and wiser and more loving day by day.

So under his own green Christmas tree merry. It is a day whose memories are revelries of joy, and whose anticipations are golden dreams of pleasure. A Merry Christmas to all.

Fair Elections.

Ours is supposed to be a republican government. The idea that lies at the foundation of such a form of government is that the majority shall rule. Upon this idea alone the superstructure of our Government is built. The foundation of a structure entirely removed, the edifice of necessity fails; the foundation weakened in any part to a greater or less extent, the structure resting thereon is likewise weakened. Laws are enacted to advance, not to retard and embarrass justice. An election is that advocated by Senator Wallace in is simply a means of reaching the wishes his recent review article. He favors a of the body of the electors. All laws tariff "readjustment upon a basis just to upon the subject of elections have, or every interest and to all the people." A should have, for their object the ascer-"judicious tariff" has been advocated taining of the views of the people. While before, but it required the boldness of a certain formalities are to be observed in conduct of elections, none should be justment. The Post ought to be able to devised or insisted upon that substantially defeat the very object they were created to accomplish. intent of an elector, reasonably ascertained, should be carried out. The technicality that robs an elector of the full effect of his vote is a stab at freedom and a deadly blow at Republicau institutions. We define a fair election to be one of which all the electors have had due notice as to time and place of holding; where each party is fairly represented at the ballot-box, and has an equal privilege of challenging the voters; where every man has an opportunity to vote for the man he desires, subjected to no undue importunity, much less to personal violence, and where each vote shall be counted inst as it was east. An election of this kind will be perfectly satisfactory to the defeated as well as to the successful party. An election other than the one we have attempted to describe, if acquiesced in at all by the defeated, will receive but sullent assent, and bring to the victor a suc-

> sure and speedy destruction. While men, for various reasons, are fond of their party organizations, take a pride in their victories and grieve over their defeats, the vast majority of voters in this country, of all parties, hold the welfare of the Nation paramount to the success of party; are quick to take alarm at measures-even though they point to party success-which imperil the fundamental ideas of liberty, and are resolute to put down, at the first opportunity, the demagogues who conceived them and the reckless partisans, who, carrying them to their conclusions, made a minority successful in defiance of right and justice.

cess that embodies in itself the seeds of a

The point we make against the Democratic party is that now, as heretofore for time that is to be. Let us enjoy it while the last forty years, it has been the open advocate and defender, North and South, of violence and fraud at the ballot-box, as well as the strength and support of man with a soul in him-whether he be those who have ridden rough-shod over Christian, infidel, or Jew-realizes the men seeking to interpose the shield of fact that the day which by common con- the law and Constitution between their sent is designated as the birthday of the treasonable designs and the Government Great Teacher is the very brightest day they sought to subvert. We assert that of all the year. It is the day for charity in a vast section of this Republic peaceand forgiveness of offenses. It is the day ful elections are not possible; that wherof bounty for the poor. It is the day of ever in the South the Democratic party merriment and cheer. It is the day has gone into power the purity of the which seems to touch the deepest ballot has been defiled, the birthright of fountains of the heart. At this American citizens wrested from them. season obdurate fathers are wheedled the laws of Congress violated, and the by comely daughters into any amount of | Constitution of the land defied and spit folly, even to raising the blockade before upon. There is not to-day in any State maintained against luckless lovers. Now of the South an active, energetic, wellit is that the boys can command bicycles organized, and well-disciplined Repuband skates. Children of small propor- lican party. And why? Simply because tions are allowed this day to judge for Southern bull-dozers, aided and abetted themselves the proper quantity of caudy | by Northern Democratic sympathy, have and things they may cat. Saving only stamped the Republican party out in the purelecous assaults of man on the do- | blood and death. In the North we have mestic tranquility of the barnyard, there absolute freedom of speech and ballot; seems but little of rude unkindness to mar | neither shot-guns, revolvers, rifles, the the general joy. But from the standpoint | knife of the assassin, or the torch of the of a turkey, what wretches we all are. It incendiary enter into our politics. We makes one's heart ache to think of it, cast the full vote to which we are entitled. But we will not proceed. Nothing shall Contrast any election in Maine for the

Maine, the home of Hamlin and All over the country to-day the land is Blaine; the State that gave ragrant and shadowy with Christmas Fessenden and Morrill; Malue, the State garlands, and the wearing of the green of schools and churches, of law and or-is the popular holiday anthem. The air der, the State that pays its honest debts, is redolent of the odor of gift secrets that easts always a full vote; while Mississippl, have burst into full bloom this morning, the State that gave us Jeff, Davis, Chalscattering fragrance and light and beauty | mers, and Forrest, the State that repudiall over the earth. For one day the ates its debts, the State where soil is world forgets to hate, and the temple of wet with the blood of the murdered Janus is closed and barred fast with the Chisolms, the State in whose swamps bolts of love. We are all very merry to- and fens are bleaching the bones of hundreds of black men, shot down be-Of all the days in the Christian calen- cause they were Republicans, the State dar this is the happiest and merriest. If from which law has vanished, where pas-Easter represents the full blossom of the sion rules, where shot-guns answer argu-Christian flower, Christmas is the antici- ments and rifles close debates, fails alpated bud. It is the children's day in ways to cast a vote in proportion to its the great world's fair of life, and for the population. What is true of Mississippi nonce we are all children. In the happy is true, to a great extent, of the entire festivities of the birthday, mankind, as South. It is the mission of the Republiwith one accord, throws off the weight of can party to rectify this condition of years under which the race has grown things by making elections as fair in the

Our "Uncles and Aunts." The presence about the market-houses of the old ex-slave men and women vending their productions touches a chord in the memories of old slavery days. The very nearest relations that can exist between superior and inferior often bound together master and slave. The bad possibilities of the slave system, and the practice under it of cruel barbarities and of gross immoralities, will not efface the fact that it had features as pleasant as any that make home and family dear. Many of our old black "uncles and aunts," who, near the markets, proffer us holly and evergreens for sale at Chrismas time, as they have offered us eggs and vegetables during the year, address us in the tone of mingled deference and trust that tells us as clearly as their wrinkles and gray head-covering tell us of their age, that they had kind and lov-

ing masters and mistresses, in whose service they learned the gracious manner they now possess. Old Washington lives in the present enough to show the new generation how much there was of courtly hospitality, and gentle consideration in the old days. Now we have the age of railroads, telegraphs, telephones, freedom, extended enterprises, and gigantic fortunes. The dazzling splendor of the rich of these days should not render cynical the old leaders of society, who have been pushed from their stools. The world moves. Bye and bye there will be other leaders. The gay old world is kaleidoscopic, and ever changing are her moods and her favorites.

But there can never be another generation of our good old "uncles and aunts." Bull-Dozing the Electoral Count.

The Democrats threaten that if Congress does not adopt a particular programme of exercises for the counting of to-day let every man take heart and be the electoral vote the Democratic Representatives will run out of the Chamber while the work is going on, and then, they ask, "how are you going to have a President at all?" They are always about to break the clock if you do not let them wind it up and set it by their old bull'seye watches of the last century. They will just set fire to the house unless you give them the key to the pantry containing the jam. They will do all sorts of disagreeable and destructive things unless they are smoothed down. They are like the boy who said to his new nurse: "I am one of those little boys that have to be ruled by kindness, and if you don't give me some more candy I'll kick you on the shin." Or they are like the young woman who always was allowed to have her way as the only safeguard against her carrying out her threat that if she was thwarted she would disgrace her

An hour passed on, the turkey woke, That bright dream was his last; He passed away 'mid kitchen smoke 'Mid flashing knives and Xmas joke, And things that vanished fast.

CONVERTED BY BREECH-LOADERS.

Why an African King Changed His Re-Much interest was aroused a year or two ago about King Miesa, who rules a country on the northern shores of the Victoria Nyanza, and of whom Stanley gave some glowing accounts. These accounts led to the organization and dispatch of a mission which cost something like £17,000 (whereof Baroness Burdette-Coutts contributed several thousands), and which converted King M'tesa to the Protestant form of Christanity It was felt then, and has been believed since, that the conversion of so distinguished a potentate was cheap at the price. But this was neither the first nor the last of M'tesa's conversions. Like all his fellow-countrymen, he had started in life as a derout pagan, worshiping Lubabi, the Goddess of the Lake. He then conceived a respect for the faith, and especially for the guns and annumition of his neighbors, the Egyptians; so he became a Mussulman and was duly rewarded by a little present of obsolete unuzzle-loaders. Then came the irruption of Stanley and rumors of England and the English religious and breech loaders. and the English religiou and breech-loaders and the English religion and breech-loaders. M'tesa thereupon conceived the desire to become a Protestant, and was happily and successfully converted to that faith by the mission above mentioned, which brought him, in addition to an improved faith, a supply of improved Saiders, Subsequent to this, however, the Jesuits sent femalliance and the sent the from Algiers a mission of their own, with gorgeous vestments, which brought with it echoes of Martini-Henrys and Remingtons. Again M'tesa showed himself open to conviction, and became a Roman Catholic, which he has remained up to three months ago. But at the later period his people came to him and remonstrated. They said, King M'tesa, you have been a Mussulman, a Protestant, and a Roman Catholic. We must represent to you that we do not hold these continual changes to be for the good of the state. We point out to you, moreover, that you have already got all the guns and all the powder that can reason-ably be expected to flow from changes in religion, and we invite you therefore to return to the faith and we invite you therefore to return to the nature of your fathers and the established church of your country." King M'tesa has proved necessible to the remonstrances of his subjects, and has selemnly abjured all his heresies and returned to the worship of the godess Lubabi. PERSONALITIES.

VICE-PRESIDENT WHEELER thinks he

vill spend next summer in Europe. THE Hon, John C. New, of Indiana, is ill, being threatened with typhoid fever. SPARKS didn't hang his stocking last night for fear somebody would put a jumping jack

Has Sara Bernhardt's sister Jeanne any children?-Router. Don't know her. Ask the

Boston Post. Barnum has been among the Rocky Mountains for his health. They all looked small to him compared with the Chinese-letter lie.

Wade Hampton's address has been changed from Columbia, S. C., to the United States Senate, where John Sherman will soon meet him. THE old friends of the late Senator Dick" Yates propose to erect him a monument, and the scheme should receive proper encourage-

EMILE ZOLA protests against a statue to Alexandre Dumas for the simple reason that there are ten worthler men who ought to pass before bins, and, first of all, Balzac.

STANDING in the Democratic cemetery, Samuel J. Tilden, bathed in tears, means with soughing pines where Hancock and Kelly have been placed side by side.—*Detroit Post.*

OLD BETZ, a Sloux squaw, who died recently at the age of one hundred, was successively the wife of an army officer, an Indian chief, a highwayman, and a Methodist missionary The immaculate Coffroth, who was

heard all over the chamber of the House of Reprehe printed in this morning's Expusitors last six years with elections occurring in discussions of a depressing character.

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the thrifty legislator whom his own neighbors white SARAH BERNHARDT was asked by a Boston lady why she was so long and thin, and she said that she begun to study English on one of

Secretary Everts' scutences and meant to grow up with the country -- New York Herald. Miss Bessie, the daughter of General and Mrs. M. D. L. Simpson, and Hamilton Rowan, the son of Vice-Admiral Rowan, between whom an ment of marriage has existed for some time, confided on or about the 22d of February

next. The marriage is to take place in Chicago. CAPTAIN EADS has made friends with the Mexican government. The president of that Republic has ordered three officers of the staff, two engineers, and a physician to accompany him on his streeging four over the istimus of Tehaunte-ree, the reconsequence. pec, the expenses to come out of the public purse.

Or the twenty full general officers in Or the twenty full general officers in the service of the United States, excepting, of like a ship without sails; whereas every community that encourages manufactures is certain to grow and prosper.—Quincy Whig. course, the medical department, Brigadicr-tien-erals Terry and Miles are the only two who have not received a West Point cilication. These two generals surely should feel proud of their records.

CRANBERRY SAUCE.

"Addrawn"—Ves, it was Benjamin Franklin who said a faint pocket-book ne'er won fair lady. UNCLE SAN is likely to wake up on Christmas morning; and find Sitting Bull in his stocking as a Christmas gift. THE only dangerous thing about swinging on the ront gate now is not the old man's boot, but the over's unloaded pistol.

The Meriden Recorder says: "Barbers wear slip-pers because they will not die with their hoots on." but they must go barefooted it they expect to save their soles.

The town of Darlington, S. C., charges two dollars for the privilege of using profate lan-guage on the streets, and the treasury swells up beautifully on the days that bat whicky is allout. A DEADWOOD woman has been arrested for stealing a house. If she would only come and steal another house that we know of all would be forgiven, provided she took an alleged cornet player along with it.

With it.

A Foxth mother said to her little sori; "Tommy, my dear, I am going to give you a little companion soon; which would you prefer, a little toy or a little girl?" "Well, mother," replied Tommy, "If I sail the same to you, I would rather have a little donkey, "Jioden Post,"

il is all the same to you, I would rather have a little donkey, "Hoston Post.

Mr. I. Palyner Calewell, a young gentlemen of Louisville who fully expect to be a United States Senator before he is twenty-five years old, complained to Mr. T. Wilson Todd, the leader of fish-lomble society in that gifted town, that he was growing uncomsortably liesly. T. Wilson Todd, who is an acknowledged purster, immediately got off a pun. He told Mr. Caldwell to go to the riding school, and that there he would fall off.

"Your little birdle has been very, very sick," she wrote to the young man. "It was some sure of nervous trouble, and the doctors said I should have perfect rest and quiet, and that I must think of nothing—absolutely nothing. And all the time, dear ticorge, I thought consuntly of you." The young man read it over, and read it through again very slowly, and put it in his pecket and went out under the silent stars, and kept thinking, and thinking, and thinking. He only kept thinking. Rockeast Coarter.

Wild Religion in Texas.

The Sanctificationists have received "light" to assemble in this city, to await the coming of the second Christ. The advance guard, under the leadership of Apostle Henry Muhler, put in an appearance leat week, and has been holding quiet meetings in the suburb. The whereabouts of the "Tabernarle" was made known to the neighbors on Saurday night by the vehemence of Mrs. Lizzle Cohenhagen, wh, besides breaking eight panes of glass out of the window, danced while stripped to the skin. In her animated fervor she fell over the stave, bourning herself severely and bruising her eleven months' ehild, which, just before swooning, she statehed from the bed and held in her arms. Vesterday physicians found Mrs. Cohenhagen and her mother in a protonal como, superinduced by nervous exclement and want of food, of which they had not tasted for over forty-eight hours. Three men were lying in the corner, where, according to their statements, they had been prostrated by the Hely Ghost, and ordered to remain there in silent prayer until they received "light." Food was administered to the women, but at this writing they are still prestrated and speechless. Henry Cohenhagen says his wife is the brids-elect of Christ, and was ordered to reveal herself to the faithful "in the purity of woman before the fall and the Garden of Eden." The men say that they are accepted apostless; that had they not been disturbed they would have east off mortality, and, like Christ after the cruchtkion, would have enjoyed or earth the spiritual life of the Saviour.—(Gitzelon News. Wild Religion in Texas.

A Christmas Rush at the Post-Office.

The gift-secret business in-Washington has acquired monstrons proportions. Not only are the present dear ones thought of, but the far-away friends are tenderly remembered. Absence does not conquer tove, at least so fairs as to dispense with the making of presents. To such an extent his the business of sending away Christmas remembraness to distant friends been carried on in Washington this season that the registry work at the city post-office has, during the past two weeks, been increased three hundred per cent, over the usual amount. So great have been the crowds at the city post-office sending away packages of Christmas gifts that it has been found necessary to cut an additional window at the stamp delivery and put on two extra men to accommodate the demand for postage-stamps. Every lady who cames to those windows on such an errand—"and her name is legion "—invariably wants to know how much her package weights, and lift is wrapped up in accordance with law and regulations. An extra pair of scales has been in use during the past two weeks, and many of the clerks, who usually get done work at five o'clock in the afternoon, have been kept until eleven or twelve o'clock p. m., without relief. The city post-office officials testify to the very unmand press of business upon them, far exceeding anything ever remembered at any previous Christmas. As an evidence of reviving prosperity and of increasing kindliness of heart it is a cheering Indication. A Christmas Rush at the Post-Office.

What a Governor Has to Benr.

Walking into Governor Foster's office vesterday afternoon, the correspondent found the Governor pueling across the room, with his hands clasped behind his back, vigorously puffing away at a cigar, and evidently in deep study. Saluting Governor Foster, the writer put the question, "How goes the Senatorial coatest?"

"The hardest correst before me at the present moment is in there," and he pointed toward his private office, "You see that young lady in there—a very fine girl. She was here had week and remained all day. She is here now—came bright and early this morning—to boy for a pardon for her brother, who is serving out a ten years sentence in the conficientary. The case is one I cannot touch, but she won't give up. It seems as if her whole life was centered in securing a pardon for her brother; but, as I said before, I cannot do it, though she doesn't understand why." Just then sols were heard coning from the private room, and the Governor continued: "Yea, she has been begging and imploring all day, with tears in her eyes, for me to give her brother back to her. It is very trying, indeed, to meet such pleadings and remain firm."—Chievgo Tribuae. What a Governor Has to Bear. Going to Sleep.

Among the Welsh and Yorkshiremen there is a uper-stitious belief that a lady may at any time tream of her sweetheart, if she will, after she as ben in bed, get up, put her shoes in the zen of a T, and while doing the above act re-

"I puts my shees in the form of a T. Hoping this night my true love to see In his appared and his array, And in the clothes he do wear every day." And in the clothes he do wear every day."
So leave them—get into bed—speak not another word—but go to sleep tonsectivity, a matter rather difficult for young girls to do after such an interesting coromony, stoing to sleep, indeed, is as hard a task on compulsion, perhaps more so, as keeping awake. It rectains us of the exclamation applied to one of Cupid's vouthful and inminerable victims: "The more I resolve to forget, the more vividity I remember." And so we leave any one to go to sleep or not.

Is it Played Out? The twenty-nine leading rathes on the Comstock lode of Nevada have paid in 1880 the sum of \$640,800 in dividends, divided between two mines, white the assessments on the others were \$6,172,000. It is the common belief, encouraged by the dispersion of the men who have made fartunes there, that the lode has played out, and that the diamond drill industriously riddled all the dirt there, and demonstrated this little fact to the managers long ago. To day the linest kind of machinery and tice deepest kind of holes are the glory of the region. But there is no profit in either.

What to Give Hubby. "What shall I give my hubby dear
For a present on Christmas Day?
In the myrlad stores i greatly fear
None are worthy of him. I pray
You, darling, tell me what I shall give
To the creature I love the best?"
He sprang to his fact and replied with a sigh;
"Oh! I what you would give him a rest."

John W. Forney has undertaken, over the shoulders of A. T. Goshoru, to demolish John Weish, forgetting, however, that he nad previously demolished himself. It makes but little difference to the control of the control We Give It Up.

from Washington Reading in the society latters from Washington of the beautiful Miss This and the handsome Miss That suggests the query whether ugly girls ever appear in society? Charles Lamb ohes lurned from the contistones in a cometery where he was wandering when a child, and asked, "Mamma, where are the bad people buried?" National Weather.

There is no sectionalism in the weather. It is just as north here as it is anywhere, according to the themometer; and in a matter of this kind the themometer is cultified to credit.—Allusta Con-stitution. A New London Fashion. Footmen are going out, and footwomen are tak-ing their place. Dining the other night at Eston place, the door was opened by one of the latter, in a most charming and becoming livery. Black and-white mob cap for head-dress, stand-up collar, with

Another Inquiry. A correspondent of the Greenville (S. C.) New plaintively inquices; "Could not our Legislature separate National and Safe elections and keep the entire population of this Suite from shoemaking in the Albany penitentiary every four years?"

The Polson of Mary Stover's Lips. Mary Stover took a dose of strychnine. A pe poodle licked her face while she was in her agony and the pulsan on her lips killed the dog. The wo man will recover.—Ground Rapids Press.

A Ship Without Sails.

Opposed to Suffrage.

To the Editor of The National Republican;

Sin: The action of the Townath Club Thursday evening on the question of suffrage in the District of Columbia was had without any disensesion, and at a late hour, after several had left the banquet, was so divided in scattiment that it is hardly fair or true to say that the club is in favor of suffrage. Certain H is that many of its members, including myself, do not wish to be so classed.

Arguing from the political tenet—'No taxation without representation—we ought not to claim representation because there is axation, but rather that, as there is no representation (in the sense of choice by public election), there ought to be no taxation.

that, as there is no representation (in the sense of choice by public election), there ought to be no taxation.

The Constitution wisely gives to Congress extensive jurisdiction over this District as long as it is the Capital of the country. The fifty millions of people who transact their tovermaental business here are visely more intensived in the question of countrol of the district than the few hundred thousand living here—most of them in the service of those fifty millions—possibly can be. Doubliess a very large majority of the residents of the District are really citizens of the various States, and are aircady represented by members from their respective districts. Many of the remainder can castly establish citizenship in some State, as is hone by some who desire to escape the personal in. If the administration of the affairs of this city inter a commission for whom two must have been eldents of the city for several years, shall continue to be as beneficient and efficient in the future that been the case in the past six years, it is possible to the two continues to be a several part of the process of the past six years, it is possible that the vexed question of how to govern large that he vexed question of how to govern large the honestly and efficiently may be in process of appropriate in the terminal part of the process of

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